

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 25, 26, 28-30, 32, 33, 36, 39-43, 49, 54, 55, 61, and 63-69 are pending.

There are two issues remaining the Action.

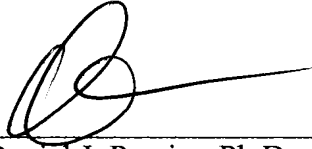
The first is to cancel the non-elected claims (see item 2 on page 2 of the Official Action) and those claims have been cancelled.

The second is the provisional rejection relating to copending application 10/069,983.
A Terminal Disclaimer is attached.

A Notice of Allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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